

ABSTRACT

5 The disclosure is directed to a method of marking for authentication a computer program with a bit-string pattern. The method includes generating a bit-string pattern, each bit in the bit-string pattern having a binary value and at least one bit having a first value. The computer program is searched for at least one polymorphic statement. The one bit having the first value is associated with the polymorphic statement found by the search. The polymorphic statement is then altered, thereby marking the computer program.